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SUBJECT: ROK UN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

1. AT NOON JULY 30, ROK MISSION REACTIVATED ROK'S APPLICATION
FOR UN MEMBERSHIP BY DELIVERING TO UN SECRETARIAT UNDER
COVER ROK MISSION NOTE, FOLLOWING CABLE FROM ROK FOREIGN
MINISTER TO UNSYG:
QUOTE

EXCELLENCY,
I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REFER TO THE LETTER DATED
19 JANUARY 1949 FROM THE ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER OF
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
FOR ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS
AND A DECLARATION ACCEPTING OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE
CHARTER. (U.N. DOCUMENT S/1238, 1 FEB. 1949)

ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
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KOREA, I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REQUEST YOUR EXCELLENCY

TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO HAVE THE APPLICATION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP
IN THE UNITED NATIONS GIVEN FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY
THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT THE EARLIEST APPROPRIATE OCCASION.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

DONG-JO KIM
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

HIS EXCELLENCY
DR. KURT WALDHEIM
SECRETARY-GENERAL
UNITED NATIONS.

2. SIMULTANEOUSLY, ROK MISSION ISSUED A PRESS RELEASE

QUOTE

ON JULY 29, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA,
IN A CABLEGRAM ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF
THE UNITED NATIONS FROM THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
FORMALLY ASKED THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS BE GIVEN FURTHER
CONSIDERATION.

THE APPLICATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WAS FIRST
SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN JANUARY 1949,
AND WAS CONSIDERED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL FIRST IN
1949, THEN IN 1955, 1957, AND 1958. NORTH KOREA ALSO
APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS TWICE,
IN 1949, AND 1952.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ITS RESOLUTION 296 G(6)
ADOPTED NOVEMBER 1949 DECLARED THAT THE REPUBLIC OF
KOREA IS, IN ITS JUDGEMENT, A PEACE-LOVING STATE WITHIN
THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 4 OF THE CHARTER, IS ABLE AND
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WILLING TO CARRY OUT THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CHARTER,
AND SHOULD THEREFORE BE ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE
UNITED NATIONS.

THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ENJOYS A SPECIAL AND UNIQUE
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED NATIONS, WHICH DATES BACK
TO 1948 WHEN SHE WAS ESTABLISHED AS A RESULT OF GENERAL
ELECTIONS HELD UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES. THE UNITED

NATIONS ALSO MADE AN IMMENSE CONTRIBUTION TO THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN KOREA. FOR OVER TWO DECADES, THE UNITED NATIONS MADE EVERY EFFORT TO HELP BRING ABOUT A UNIFIED KOREA BY PEACEFUL MEANS. DURING THIS LONG PERIOD, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT UNRESERVEDLY ACCEPTED THE COMPETENCE AND AUTHORITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND EXTENDED ITS UNSTINTING COOPERATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS BEEN PLAYING AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS. SHE NOW MAINTAINS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS MEMBERS. SHE IS ALSO AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IN THE UNITED NATIONS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND TO THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA EARNESTLY HOPES THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL WILL GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO ITS APPLICATION AT THE EARLIEST APPROPRIATE OCCASION SO THAT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WITH HER 35 MILLION POPULATION REPRESENTING TWO-THIRDS OF THE ENTIRE KOREAN PEOPLE MAY TAKE ITS RIGHTFUL SEAT IN THE WORLD FORUM WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DELAY.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WISHES TO REAFFIRM ITS DECLARED POLICY THAT IT WILL WELCOME NORTH KOREA'S JOINING THE UNITED NATIONS AT ANY TIME. THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT AN EVENTUAL ENTRY OF TWO PARTS OF KOREA INTO THE UNITED NATIONS AS AN INTERIM MEASURE

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PENDING UNIFICATION WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE IN THIS AREA.

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